



# BIOGRAPHY



## *United States Air Force*

**Aeronautical Systems Center**  
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Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433-7129

### **COLONEL PAUL J. CLARK**

Colonel Paul J. Clark is Commander, B-1 Systems Group, Long Range Strike Systems Wing, Aeronautical Systems Center, Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. He is responsible for an integrated weapon system program office with employees in two working locations, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, and Tinker AFB, Okla. The colonel leads a team of acquisition and logistics experts with cradle to grave focus on weapon system management of the B-1 bomber force at two operating bases. He leads upgrade and sustainment efforts critical to improving and maintaining war fighting capabilities for Air Combat Command, U.S. Strategic Command, and theater war fighting commanders.

Colonel Clark entered the U. S. Air Force in 1983 upon graduation and commissioning from Auburn University's Air Force ROTC program. He has served as a T-38 instructor pilot, an operational F-15 pilot/mission commander, and F-15 instructor pilot with more than 2,900 hours in supersonic aircraft. Colonel Clark entered the acquisition workforce in 1997 as Chief of F-15 International Programs at Aeronautical Systems Center. He subsequently led the Joint Strike Fighter Propulsion team, was Deputy Director of the Propulsion Program Office, and Commander of the Aging Aircraft Systems Squadron.



#### **EDUCATION:**

1982 Bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering, Auburn University, Auburn, Ala.  
1993 Master of arts degree in political science and international relations, Troy State University, Troy, Ala.  
1996 National Defense Fellow, Graduate School of International Studies, University of Miami, Coral Gables, Fla.  
2001 Master of arts degree in strategic studies, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

#### **ASSIGNMENTS:**

1. 1983 – 1984, student, Euro NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training, 88<sup>th</sup> Flying Training Squadron, Sheppard AFB, Texas

2. 1984 – 1987, T-38 Instructor Pilot, 90<sup>th</sup> Flying Training Squadron, Sheppard AFB, Texas
3. 1987 – 1987, Lead-In Fighter Training, 435<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter Training Squadron, Holloman AFB, N.M.
4. 1987 – 1988, student, F-15 RTU, 426<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter Training Squadron, Luke AFB, Ariz.
5. 1988 – 1991, F-15 Pilot/Mission Commander, 9<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter Squadron, Holloman AFB, N.M.
6. 1991 – 1995, F-15 Instructor Pilot/Flight Commander, 2<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
7. 1995 – 1996, National Defense Fellow, Graduate School of International Studies, University of Miami, Coral Gables, Fla.
8. 1996 – 1997, Deputy for Operations, Air Force Division, U.S. Military Training Mission, Royal Saudi Air Force Headquarters, Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
9. 1997 – 2000, Chief of F-15 International Programs, F-15 System Program Office, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio
10. 2000 – 2001, student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
11. 2001 – 2002, Chief, Joint Strike Fighter Division, Propulsion Program Office, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio
12. 2002 – 2003, Deputy Director, Propulsion Program Office, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio
13. Feb. 2003 – April 2003, Deputy Commander, 39<sup>th</sup> Expeditionary Operations Group, Incirlik Air Base, Turkey
14. 2003 – 2005, Commander, Aging Aircraft Systems Squadron, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio
15. 2005 – present, Commander, B-1 Systems Group, Long Range Strike Systems Wing, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION:**

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight Hours: More than 2,900

Aircraft flown: F-15A, F-15B, F-15C, F-15D, T-38A, T-38B, T-37

#### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:**

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with Three Oak Leaf Clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with One Oak Leaf Clusters

Air Force Achievement Medal

Air Force Combat Readiness Medal with Two Oak Leaf Clusters

#### **PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION:**

Program Management – Level III

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:**

Second Lieutenant	Oct. 1, 1982
First Lieutenant	Oct. 1, 1984
Captain	Oct. 1, 1986
Major	Sept. 1, 1994
Lieutenant Colonel	May 1, 1999
Colonel	April 1, 2005

(Current as of April 2005)